

## FLORIDA GOOD, BETTER, BEST!

What a Floridian thinks of the Great West—Can't Compare with Florida.

To the Editor of the Ocala Banner.

Business compelled me to go to New Mexico. I found that I could buy a ticket to California, eight hundred miles further, and save thirty dollars, and as it allowed me to stop in St. Louis and other points, of course I bought it. The same low rate carried hundreds of other men to California.

After I had spent a week at the Fair looking at the beautiful grounds, buildings and wonderful exhibits, I met an old Kansas farmer and asked him what he thought of it. His reply was, "Well, I've spent some time and money here, and have come to the conclusion that this show is intended for very rich people and fools, and I am going home."

I walked on thinking of the old farmer's remarks and came to the conclusion that he was not as big a fool as one might suppose, for when a farmer looks at the hundreds of improved farming machinery with no money to purchase, he will not be better pleased with his old plows and harrows at home, and when a lady looks at dresses that cost a thousand dollars each, and rugs, carpets, silver and cut glass that cost a fortune, she will be no better pleased with the tin pans and cook pots at home; and when one sees Victoria's presents of gold, silver, diamonds and thousands of other precious stones, for all of which the old lady had no earthly use, the force and truth of the scripture: "For he that hath, to him shall be given, and he that hath not shall be taken even that which he hath," but the only way to make us progress is first to make us dissatisfied with what we have.

When one rises to the top of the Ferris wheel at night and gets a full view of the cascade and magnificent buildings, with every tower, gable, cornice and windows lit up with millions of various colored electric lights, he wonders if the streets of the New Jerusalem can be more beautiful; but Miss Harris has given the Banner a better description of the big fair than I can write, so I will go on west.

Albuquerque, N. M., is a beautiful city with all modern improvements and hundreds of new buildings going up. Mr. J. M. Barco gave me a letter to Mr. J. A. Dye, who once had a saw mill near Blitchton in this county. He made a fortune out there and now owns bank stocks and every other kind of property; he treated me like a brother, and his influence was worth more to me than money. Mr. Dye introduced me to a man who owns sixty thousand sheep and no crop can be grown in New Mexico except on irrigated lands. Alfalfa grows to perfection, six tons per acre is considered a fair crop, and it is the finest forage crop in the world.

From New Mexico to California we traveled for hundreds of miles over a barren, desolate country. In Arizona there is every indication that at some pre-historic age there was certainly "a hot time in the old town" for the very rocks were melted.

The railroad winds about through the mountains as crooked as the Ocklawaha river.

I am glad I went to California, while I did not see all of it and don't pretend to know it all, I saw enough to know that I want no orange grove in California. The orange trees are grown on a sand and gravel soil with the roots a foot below the surface, and ditches six inches deep are run between the rows to conduct the water. A grove would die out, root and branch, in a year if it were not irrigated; therefore the companies that own the water have the orange growers nicely by the throat, and their demands have been more exacting every year, and what little profit is left, after paying for water, fertilizer and labor, the railroads get. There are many fine orange and lemon groves in California owned by very wealthy men, who keep them up as an advertisement, which has caused thousands of men to put their all in groves who would now be glad to sell at a big loss.

The California Valencia orange ri-

pens in summer and is marketed when peaches, pears, plums, grapes, melons, and every other kind of fruit is plentiful. Their navals come in competition with the superior Florida orange.

All California fruit is pleasing to the eye and disappointing to the taste. After you eat one you don't want any more. I am sure that any experienced orange grower who sees California will return to Florida better satisfied than he ever was before.

California is the best advertised state in the world. Millions of eastern capital has been invested there, and it is this money that built the magnificent city of Los Angeles, with electric cars running out into the country for thirty miles or more in every direction, connecting hundreds of beautiful towns; but a very small per cent of the money that built them was made in California—it all came from the east.

It used to be said that Floridians lived on cat fish in summer and sick yankees in winter, but it can truthfully be said that Californians live on yankees all the year round, and whenever the crop of yankees fail the drop will come; but these capitalists will not be caught under it. They know the value of printer's ink and low transportation too well, and other men, with more money than brains, will then own these orange groves and be left to hold the bag.

The best thing I saw in California was the beautiful patches of alfalfa. From Kansas to California, wherever there was water, alfalfa flourished. I have some of the seed and will give it a thorough trial in Florida.

All through Texas, Indian territory, Oklahoma and Kansas, I saw hundreds and hundreds of acres of sorghum being cut and shocked like corn. I was informed that it made the best feed for cattle and horses all through the winter.

If it pays to grow sorghum on land that makes forty bushels of corn to the acre, why won't it pay in Florida where it grows to perfection.

I tried some on my farm several years ago but it dried out so hard that no stock would eat it. I now think if it were planted to ripen late in the fall it would not become dry and hard. It also occurs to me that our experiment station might help us a little on these lines; but it will consume too much space if I get on that subject.

In conclusion I can emphatically say that the further I traveled and the more I saw the better I liked Florida. ALFRED AYER.

Flagler will build his railroad to Key West. It is a stupendous undertaking, but the Alladin of the east coast does some very marvelous things.

## MEAT

## ON COLD STORAGE.

We desire to announce that the cold storage department for the curing of meat for Owners is now open.

We are the Cold Storage Pioneers of Florida, have given the curing of meats the closest study for years, and our uniform past success is the very best evidence of our ability to serve you. When, therefore, we announce ready, we want you to appreciate that it means superior equipment; including duplicate machinery, in case of accident, and skillful assistants to do this work in the best possible manner. In this connection we cannot too strongly urge upon our friends to take their meat where they know it will have proper attention. It is no Guess Work for you to let us serve you again. To those storing meat for the first time, we would refer to our friends—Your Neighbors—who are so well satisfied with our past faithful service.

The same price will prevail as heretofore, viz: one cent per month or part of a month.

Responsibility against loss or damage by fire will be assumed in the value of six cents per pound, and for this we will make a charge of 10 cents per one hundred pounds or fraction thereof.

FLORIDA PACKING AND ICE CO., per SIMON BENJAMIN, Sec. & Treas. HERMANN BENJAMIN, Manager.

Shippers by freight or express will please mark their name plainly on package and address

FLORIDA PACKING & ICE CO.

## To the Bright Girls of the Country

The expenses for one year at a leading southern college will be paid for a bright, worthy girl of Marion county, Fla., who will secure for me one hundred and fifteen subscribers to my book, "Lee and Longstreet at High Tide." The college expenses include board, books, tuition, laundry and incidentals.

For the double purpose of giving the people the truth of our civil war history, and of extending a helping hand to the struggling, ambitious girls of the country, I am pleased to place a year at college within reach of a girl of this county who desires an education earnestly enough to exert herself a little. Should the girl availing herself of this opportunity prove particularly deserving, I pledge myself to the endeavor to open the way for her to complete the college course.

The girl who is interested in this offer should communicate with me at once, and her communication should be accompanied by the endorsement of her county school commissioner, the editor of this paper and the teacher of the last school she attended.

I would be glad to communicate with every ambitious girl in this county who is struggling to educate herself. MRS. JAMES LONGSTREET, Gainesville, Ga.

## "Lee and Longstreet at High Tide."

The people of this country will be refused to be prejudiced against Mrs. Longstreet's book on the life of the "War Horse" of the confederacy, by a suggestion that it is written in a spirit of friendliness to the north. Mrs. Longstreet was born in the American union after the confederate struggle had become the "lost cause" of American history. She evidently has never known what it was to hate anything American. It was high patriotism, worthy of the opening days of a new century, that prompted a young woman of the new south to invite a valorous union officer to write the introduction to the biography of a dead adversary.

The opening words of General Sickles introduction to "Lee and Longstreet at High Tide" happily silence all criticism.

"If it be thought that I should write a preface to the memoir of a conspicuous adversary, I reply that the civil war is only a memory, its asperities are forgotten, both armies were American, old army friendships have been renewed, and new army friendships have been formed among the combatants, the truth of history is due to all of us and the amenities of chivalrous manhood are cherished alike by the north and south, when justice to either is involved."

Sickles is one of the most famous of the surviving union officers of the civil war. He has been prominent in democratic politics in New York since the war, and has suffered much in consequence.

The south will not fall out with Mrs. Longstreet for defending the great name she bears, now that the stout warrior is dead and cannot answer his accusers; a magnanimous people will honor her for it.—Exchange.

## So Quick.

Not a minute should be lost when a child shows symptoms of croup. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. It never fails and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all druggists. m

## NOTICE.

In the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Marion county, in Chancery.

G. S. Scott, as Receiver, etc., Complainant, vs. Benjamin F. Perry and Salie D. Perry, Defendants.

IT IS ORDERED THAT THE DEFENDANT herein named, Benj. F. Perry and Salie D. Perry, be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint in this cause on or before

Monday the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1905.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for eight consecutive weeks in the Ocala Banner.

Done this 17th day of Oct. A. D. 1904. S. T. SISTRUNK, Clerk Circuit Court.

R. L. ANDERSON and Wm. H. HOCKER, Complainant's Solicitors. 10-21-SW.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT ON THE second day of January, A. D. 1905, as the administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Mrs. Eliza Keep, deceased, I will present my petition and final report and ask to be discharged as such administrator to the Hon. Robt. Bullock, county judge for Marion county, Florida. W. E. ALLEN, Admr. with will annexed. 6-21

June 23rd, 1904.

## MEN'S CLOTHING

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## THE BOSTON STORE.

For the past three months

We have been telling you

All about our line of . . .

## Ladies' and Children's Wearing Apparel,

And are in hopes that by this

Time you have learned what

We carry in these lines. . .

## Do You Know That It Is Only Three Weeks Till Christmas?

Now is the time to prepare for the cold weather that is sure to accompany it. Our stock is here in full trim, and the prices are the lowest.

For those who may not know:

## Ladies' Tailored Suits.

You will find here the largest line of Ladies' suits in Central Florida. We have them in the latest effects of Mannish mixed tweeds in all colors and sizes. Remember, they are made by men. It would take too much space to explain about the different kinds.

The prices are \$7.50 to \$20.00. A nice suit for \$10.00.

## Ladies' Waists.

We offer the most complete line of waists in this section. Any kind of goods can be found in our store—flannels, brillantines, peau de soie, taffeta silk and China silk all in assorted colors.

Peau de soie, in assorted shades . . . \$3.75  
Crepe de shine . . . 2.75  
All wool flannel . . . 2.00  
Assorted materials . . . 50c to 3.00

## Ladies' Skirts.

Our line consists of about 1000 skirts of the latest styles, made of Mannish mixtures, brillantines, serges, worsteds and ladies' cloth. Also nice line of dress skirts made of taffeta silk, peau de soie and satins. Large assortment of walking skirts in new mixtures.

Skirt for dress \$2.50 to \$15.00  
Skirt for street \$1.50 to \$6.50

## Ladies' Jackets.

We have them in long ones and short ones; made of broadcloths, covert cloths, zebelines and all grades of Mannish mixtures. You can find them for the entire family in all sizes and shades.

Prices . . . \$2.50 to \$20.00  
A nice one, worth \$7.50 for . . . \$5.00

## Don't Forget That We Sell the Best Shoes Made.

Every pair guaranteed to give satisfaction, or we give you a new pair. Special agents for the

## HAMILTON-BROWN SHOES

For Men, Women and Children.

Now, just a few words more, and the tale will be told. We have been doing business here for the past five years, and to our satisfaction, as our sales have increased every year 50 per cent. over the preceding one. Now, this means something; think of it. Our motto is to have you satisfied, or no sale. We want you to know that if you are dissatisfied with anything you purchase of us, your money will be cheerfully refunded. Hoping to have you examine our lines, we remain Yours for Lower Prices,

## THE BOSTON STORE.

EVERYTHING WORN BY MAN, WOMAN OR CHILD

## BOYS' CLOTHING

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## NOTICE.

In the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, Marion county, in Chancery. William A. Green, Complainant versus Harry Green, et al. Defendants.

IT IS ORDERED THAT THE DEFENDANTS herein named, Harry Green, Theodore Green, Mary Green Davis, Frederick Green, Melvin E. Hodgdon, Louis Hodgdon, Walter Hodgdon, John A. Hodgdon, Peris Clark, Ellen Seaver and her husband, Harry Seaver, Minnie Smiley and her husband, Joseph Smiley, Marilla Richards and her husband, Eugene W. Richards, Alzie Mullen and her husband Chas. H. Mullen, and Frank H. Green, be and they are hereby ordered to appear to the bill of complaint in this cause on or before

Monday, the 5th day of December, A. D. 1904.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Ocala Banner.

Done this 26th day of October, A. D. 1904. S. T. SISTRUNK, Clerk Circuit Court, Marion County, Fla.

H. L. Anderson, Complainant's Solicitor, 10-21

## NOTICE OF FINAL DISCHARGE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON the 24th day of March, 1905, I will apply to the county judge of Marion county, Florida, for final settlement and discharge as the administratrix of the estate of Julia P. Johnson, deceased.

Done this 17th day of October, 1904. Mrs. F. A. HOWSE, Administratrix. 10-21-04

## NOTICE.

In the Circuit Court, of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Marion County, in Chancery.

G. S. Scott, as Receiver, etc., Complainant, vs. C. V. McCoy and Mamie E. McCoy, Defendants. IT IS ORDERED THAT THE DEFENDANTS herein named, C. V. McCoy and Mamie E. McCoy, be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint in this cause on or before

Monday the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1905.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for eight consecutive weeks in the Ocala Banner.

Done this 17th day of Oct. A. D. 1904. [SEAL] S. T. SISTRUNK, Clerk Circuit Court.

R. L. Anderson and Wm. H. Hocker, Complainants Solicitors. 10-21-SW

## NOTICE

In the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Marion county, in Chancery.

G. S. Scott, as Receiver, etc., Complainant, vs. Wm. Pendleton and Zemula C. Pendleton, Defendants.

IT IS ORDERED THAT THE DEFENDANTS herein named, Wm. Pendleton and Zemula C. Pendleton be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint in this cause on or before

Monday the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1905.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for eight consecutive weeks in the Ocala Banner.

Done this 15th day of October, A. D. 1904. S. T. SISTRUNK, Clerk Circuit Court.

R. L. Anderson and Wm. H. Hocker, Solicitor for Complainant. 10-21

## NOTICE.

Of Application for Tax Deed Under section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT HENRIETTA Williams, purchaser of tax certificate No. 1058, dated the 31st day of Nov. A. D. 1904, has filed said certificate in my office, and made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Marion county, Florida, to-wit:

16 25 chains square in the southeast corner of northeast quarter of northeast quarter of section 5, township 15, range 21.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of said certificate in the names of parties unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law tax deed will issue thereon on the 31st day of January, A. D. 1905.

Witness my official signature and seal this 30th day of November A. D. 1904. S. T. SISTRUNK, Clerk Circuit Court Marion County Fla. 12-2

## NOTICE OF MASTER'S SALE

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A CERTAIN decree rendered by the Honorable W. S. Bullock, judge of the circuit court of the fifth judicial circuit of Florida, sitting in chancery for Marion county, in a certain cause, pending therein, wherein Tampa Building and Investment Company is complainant and Samuel W. Teague and others are defendants, said decree rendered on the 24th day of November, 1904, I will offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, before the court house door (south) in Ocala, Marion county, Florida, between the legal hours of sale on the first Monday in January, 1905, to-wit:

January 2nd, 1905.

The following described real property in Marion county, Florida, to-wit:

Lots 1, 2, 3, 9, 10 and 11 of Samuel W. Teague's resurvey of lots 54, 55 and 56, Caldwell's addition to Ocala according to plat recorded in the clerk's office for Marion county, Florida, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said decree and costs.

H. M. HAMPTON, Special Master in Chancery. 12-2

## NOTICE.

To All Persons Interested

THE UNDERSIGNED GUARDIAN OF EVA Russell sleep and Warren, minor sleep, minors, will at 3 o'clock p. m., on

Friday, the 30th day of December, 1904

By petition, apply to the Honorable County Judge of Marion county, Florida, at his office at the court house in the city of Ocala, Florida, for authority to sell at the highest and best bidder, title and interest the said minor children may have as heirs at law, of Henry sleep, deceased, in and to the following described land situate in Marion county, Florida, to-wit:

The northeast quarter of section five (5.) The north half of the southeast quarter and the north half of the southeast quarter of section five, (5) and the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section three (3.) All being in township twelve (12) south, range twenty-five (25) east, and containing a total of 35 25-100 acres, as per government survey.

LILLIAN LLEWELLYN HAMMOND, Guardian.

JOHN E. MARSHALL, Att'y. for Guardian. 12-2

## NOTICE

In the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, Marion county, in Chancery.

W. W. Clyatt, Complainant, vs. John O. Mathews, et al. Defendants.

IT IS ORDERED THAT THE DEFENDANTS herein named, John O. Mathews, Kate T. Mathews, M. Perst, sons & Co., a co-partnership composed of Joseph Perst, Joseph Mathews and Aaron Perst, Mohr Brothers, a co-partnership composed of Lazarus Mohr and Aaron Mohr, George D. Page, as executor of the last will and testament of Benjamin F. Page, deceased, and C. D. Massey and P. S. Jones, be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint in this cause on or before

Monday, the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1905.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Ocala Banner.

Done this November 23rd, 1904. [SEAL] S. T. SISTRUNK, Clerk Circuit Court.

H. L. Anderson, By Mable L. Gudson, H. C. Complainant's Solicitor. 12-2

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS ETC.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO CREDITORS, legatees, distributees and all persons having claims or demands against the estate of H. T. Warrmann, deceased, to present the same within two years to the undersigned or they will be barred. This 4th day of October, 1904.

H. L. WARTMANN, Administrator. 10-7-04